

PARCEL POST RUSH IS ON

FREAK ARTICLES HELD UP

Shipping Eggs — Incoming Mails Gain in Volume.

The delivery of packages arriving in New York was sufficiently brisk after

holiday. The reports sent to Postmaster Morgan covered only the morning hours.

which 1,187 packages were delivered in the two boroughs. Only 219 were so large that they had to be delivered by wagon; the rest were handled by carriers. One hundred and sixty-nine of these packages were of local origin, the others came from out-of-town, of which 26 were insured.

The morning hours were comparatively dull, but in the afternoon the business picked up with a rush of packages and the

Up to 11:30 yesterday morning the main postoffice had received in all 453 packages for transmission, but by 3:30 the number handled leaped to 1,463. Of these packages 162 were insured, on the average for \$10 each.

Parcels Tax Railway Stations.

The railway stations received a heavier tax on packages. More than 8,000 were

Station, where they arrived from suburban districts to be shipped to distant points. Both here and at the Pennsylvania Station many packages containing "bombs" were regarded with curiosity. They were shipped from Farmingdale, L. I., by Henry P. Yokum, the railroad man. As an experiment Mr. Yokum shipped 39 packages.

cells of eggs, each containing one dozen, and many of the parcels were addressed to men well known in public life. The dozen eggs sent to Postmaster Morgan arrived safely.

A number of freak packages were received for transmission, only to be dis-

covered later as containing unmail-
able matter. In the branch postoffice in

West 35th street a package was mailed
but did not show the least sign of har-
boring forbidden matter. While lying
on a table waiting to be taken to the
train it began to emit scratchy noises,
and upon examination it was found that
it held a live lobster, surrounded by a
dozen squirming shrimps.

Late Rush in Brooklyn.
Brooklyn tarried during the day and
kept quite aloof from using the parcel
post until after 5 o'clock in the after-
noon. Then a sudden rush set in, and
the main office of the borough was
loaded with packages. It became neces-
sary to keep many of the clerks over-

There were more than fifty packages that arrived in Brooklyn showing various violations of the parcel post regulation. Postmaster Voorhes pointed out that unless the parcels were prepared strictly in accordance with the regulations a considerable delay in their delivery was unavoidable.

The annual report of Postmaster Morgan as to the business of the office in his charge showed an increase of about

per cent over 1911. The business of the New York postoffice in 1912 amounted to \$35,746,659.65.

The parcel post traffic at the Jersey City postoffice has been light. One hundred and five parcels were delivered yesterday forenoon and 125 were sent out.

"OPEN HOUSE" FOR HORSES

Adolph Melzer Feeds Many Overworked Animals Free.

Jersey City, Ind., Jan. 2. Adolph Melzer

EVANSVILLE, IND., Jan. 2.—Adolph Meisner, a millionaire philanthropist, continued to-

day holding "open house" for overworked and underfed horses at the Friendly Inn, which he conducts, and many animals had the "feed of their lives." The horses consumed forty bushels of oats and several tons of hay yesterday. The drivers provided sandwiches and coffee.

Melzer attracted attention some time ago by depositing \$1,000 in a local bank and giving the certificate to the city of Evansville, on condition that it be not

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